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Western Kentucky University ♦ Bowling Green, Kentucky

Tuesday, September 23, 1997

## Patton leaves plan to regents

BY JOHN STAMPER

LOUISVILLE — Gov. Paul Patton has done his part. Now it's up to regents like Peggy Loafman and Joy Gramling to make sure his Postsecondary Education Improvement Act is a success.

Patton spoke yesterday at the Governor's Conference on Postsecondary Education Trusteeship, where Loafman and Gramling, members of Western's Board of Regents, and other governing board members from across the state were learning how to implement the reforms passed by the General Assembly in May.

"It is the General Assembly in Kentucky that governs public policy," he said. "It is your responsibility to implement public policy."

Board members must make sure they cooperate with the people on their campus, other governing boards and with the newly-formed Council on Postsecondary Education, Patton said.

"We have tried to keep the institutions from fighting with each other," he said. "If we reduce ourselves to bickering and in-fighting, we will probably fair no better than we have in the past."

The reform effort will bring \$38 million to Kentucky higher education when the General Assembly meets next year, and possibly more than \$60 million in the year 2000.

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♦ **President Gary Ransdell** has first day in state higher education politics.  
♦ **Council on Postsecondary Education** has year to complete reform.  
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photo by David White

Michelle Martz, a Covington senior and Anthropology Club president, Kerstin Kruse, a senior from Havana, Ill., and Bowling Green senior Jeff Oliver, left to right, march with other students to the fine arts center to demonstrate their support for Valerie Haskins, a modern languages and intercultural studies instructor whose contract has not been recommended for renewal.

## Students rally around instructor

BY LEIGH ANN MOORE

Eleven students entered David Lee's office yesterday with a purpose: to save the job of an instructor.

The students met with the dean of Potter College around 8 a.m. to express their concerns that the contract of Valerie Haskins, a modern languages and intercultural studies instructor who teaches anthropology, has not been recommended for renewal.

Lee said he could not comment on the status of Haskins' job, but said he has made his recommendations to the vice president. He did say, however, that he was impressed with the students who confronted him yesterday morning.

"They were very committed to their education," Lee said. "And I like talking with students who want to make sure their education is the best it can be. Any time students have things to say, it has bearing on the decision."

Haskins said her contract was not recommended for renewal because she failed to complete the dissertation for her Ph.D. from Washington University by the Aug. 15 deadline set by Western.

"In all fairness, I knew I had the deadline, but I didn't realize how strict they would be about enforcing it," she said.

Haskins said she had earlier requested that the deadline be extended until this December, but that request was denied.

Several of Haskins' students are fired up over the department's failure to recommend the renewal of her contract, stating her dedication to students and the many projects she has undertaken as factors the college should reconsider.

"If she were just a blase teacher the students wouldn't care, but she's very involved with them and is very good at what she does," said Valerie Hines, an anthropology lab assistant.

Haskins said when she became an instructor at Western in 1995 she began to help the university take an inventory of all its Native American remains, as required

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## State writer draws fans

BY MIKKI OLMSTED

About 100 people, young and old, students and teachers alike, crowded in a semi-circle — some sitting on the floor, others in folding chairs — around a tall, thin man. He smiled, joked and gawked in wonder at the followers he had drawn Saturday morning to Garrett Center, Room 100.

"I underestimated Wendell's drawing power," said English Professor Joe Survant shortly before the first session of the Jim Wayne Miller Celebration of Writing day began.

"Me too," muttered a humble Wendell Berry, a nationally-recog-

nized, award-winning author/poet.

Berry has written 35 books of poetry, essays and novels over a career that has spanned more than 30 years. He is a T.S. Eliot award winner. He is a former English professor at the University of Kentucky.

He is an environmentalist. He is a Kentucky farmer.

Yet the 63-year-old author temporarily came out of retirement to speak to aspiring Western writers about his

passion. He also gave his first poetry reading in decades.

Berry awed the star-struck audience for more than an hour during a session about writing. Answering some personal and

professional questions from his fans, the man commonly called Kentucky's best writer talked about his own experiences as a writer and a teacher.

He also offered his philosophies about the necessity to protect places and environments, like the 440,000 forests in the country, from the dangers of technology.

However, a large portion of the people who gathered to hear the author wanted his insight on his casual, hometown style of prose.

Berry said although writers may want to take credit for composing a piece by themselves, they seldom write alone.

"You don't make anything by yourself," he said. "I've never written a poem by myself."

One of the things Berry is most known for in his writing is his emphasis on Kentucky and the people who live in Kentucky.

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## Radio show pulled

♦ **"K.C. and the Brain" was too controversial, broadcast board decided**

BY SHANNON BACK

K.C. and the Brain have signed off for good.

The Broadcast Advisory Board voted via e-mail last Friday against a proposal to bring the student talk show back on the air.

The show was discontinued last semester. Bart White, faculty adviser for the New Rock radio station, said the board made the decision because of community complaints that the show was in "poor taste" and full of "sexual innuendo."

The board, made up of four representatives from public radio and four from the department of communication and broadcasting, was split 4-4. But White, who made the final deci-

sion, said he decided against a proposal to "clean the show up" because it wasn't worth risking the station's license.

"Even the people who voted for the proposal were concerned for the license," White said.

The proposal was designed by K.C. Armstrong, a senior from Port Jefferson, N.Y., one of the show's two hosts. The other host, the "Brain," was Bill Thompson, a May graduate from Lebanon.

White said the proposal didn't pass because the board didn't believe Armstrong would live up to his promises.

"His past performance spoke louder than his current proposal," White said. "They just didn't trust him to carry it out because of his track record."

Armstrong said he's not being treated fairly.

"We just brought things in a humorous tone," he said. "We

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# Herald forecast

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>
76° high	67° low	59° high	57° low
75° high	55° low	75° high	55° low

## ♦ Just a sec

### Former Soviet officials coming to Bowling Green

Eight high-ranking officials from Kazakhstan, a former Soviet republic, will be in Bowling Green tomorrow to discuss higher education reform in Kentucky.

James Ramsey, state budget director and vice president for Finance and Administration, has worked with the officials for four years, helping them transform to a market-based economy.

They will meet with Kentucky House Speaker Jody Richards, State Sen. Nick Kafoglis and representatives from the Bowling Green Area Chamber of Commerce.

Chamber member Martin Jones will make a presentation about the relationship between postsecondary education and economic development.

## ♦ Clearing the air

A commentary in Thursday's Herald misidentified Prince Harry, the youngest son of Princess Diana.



Stephan Frazier/Herald

### Axed out:

Carson Bosworth, a lumberjack from Bonners Ferry, Idaho, competes in the Standing Block Chop event at the Stihl Timbersports series held Friday and Saturday at the Agricultural Exposition Center. Bosworth finished fifth in the competition, placing him in the final round of competition Oct. 11 in Branson, Mo.

## ♦ For the record/crime reports

### Charges

♦ Brandon Klair Baize, 2425 Thoroughbred Drive, was charged Sept. 13 with driving under the influence under the

age of 21 on Big Red Way. He was released from the Warren County Regional Jail the same day on a \$500 unsecured bond.

♦ Jamal Dontay Covington, 2425 Thoroughbred Drive, was

charged Sept. 13 with criminal trespassing while walking on Big Red Way. He was released from the Warren County Regional Jail the same day on a \$50 cash bond.

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## ♦ Higher education

# Ransdell looks to reform at Governor's Conference

BY JOHN STAMPER

LOUISVILLE — President Gary Ransdell got his administration off to a quick start this weekend, attending the Governor's Conference on Postsecondary Education Trusteeship only a week after being selected the ninth president of Western.

Ransdell, who officially takes office Nov. 10, spent Sunday and yesterday meeting other university presidents and learning about Gov. Paul Patton's Postsecondary Education Improvement Act.

When Leonard Hardin, chairman of the Council on Postsecondary Education, introduced Ransdell to university governing board members from across the state, Ransdell was nowhere to be seen.

"He must already be out networking in the hall," Hardin said.

Wherever he was, Ransdell was probably talking about higher education reform. He said the reform effort played a major part in his decision to return to Western, and his first decisions as president will be about implementing the reforms.

"My most important early task is to be sure where we stand in the reform of higher education," Ransdell said. "I've made a number of notes on things we need to move quickly on."

He mentioned applying for capital improvement funds and deciding what programs will

become "programs of excellence" at Western as top priorities.

"Funds are going to be allocated before policies are clear," Ransdell said. "We need to be prepared with substance to get our fair share."

He also said Western should make sure planning documents

like Western XXI and Moving to a New Level are in line with outcomes of a university-wide review that is now underway and then make sure they are relevant to the reform effort.

But Gary Cox, acting president of the Council on Postsecondary Education, said Ransdell has other concerns he must see about first.

He said Ransdell must appease the large faction of campus and community leaders that wanted James Ramsey, vice president for Finance and Administration, to be president.

"There's a period of healing that needs to take place."

Ransdell, who is meeting with Ramsey this morning, said he and Ramsey have developed a good working relationship and any wounds caused by the presidential search are closing quickly.

"I'm very encouraged that we will continue to keep Jim closely aligned with Western and take advantage of his state-wide expertise," Ransdell said.

Ransdell said he must also find a way to do something Ramsey has been very successful at: make political connections in Frankfort.

For Western's sake, Ransdell said he must create a presence in the political climate of Kentucky.

Hardin said Ransdell is well on his way to reaching that goal.

"I'm very impressed with him," he said. "I think he's going to do a fine job and I think he was a good choice."

Regent Earl Fischer, who was at the conference, said he was pleased Ransdell made the effort to show up at the meetings.

"For him to see and feel the energy here at this meeting is something we could never explain to him," Fischer said.

Ransdell, who is scheduled to be on campus today, said he has four trips planned to Western before he officially takes over as president.

"I want to be in a position that, when we do arrive, we'll hit the ground running."

**"My most important early task is to be sure where we stand in the reform of higher education. I've made a number of notes on things we need to move quickly on."**

— Gary Ransdell  
Western president-elect

## PATTON: 'Status quo' under fire

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Western will be eligible for \$2,165,300 of new funding next year, with \$1.4 million of that earmarked for the Regional University Excellence Fund.

In that program, each regional university will select a limited number of programs they can become nationally recognized for. But to receive the \$1.4 million, Western has to match that funding by reallocating money from low-performance programs.

"This area of excellence is to be determined by the institution," Patton said. "They have to look at the amount of money available and look at that program you can make nationally recognized within that budget."

Patton said if all goes well in 2000, he could see the General Assembly putting up another \$100 million for higher education in the next four years.

But before that will happen, CPE Acting President Gary Cox said university governing boards around the state must prove they can make the reforms work.

"This legislation really increases the magnitude of the responsibility of board members," Cox said.

CPE Chairman Leonard Hardin said he thought the governor's speech was "right on."

"I think the governor did a nice job of clarifying the roles of the regionals and the research institutions," he said.

Patton told the gathered audience that state regents are welcome to question his policies, but suggested they resign first.

"I see tremendous threat to those who are resistant to change," Patton said. "The status quo will not stand."

## Council sets agenda

BY JOHN STAMPER

LOUISVILLE — The newly-formed Council on Postsecondary Education has a lot of work to do. From putting a state-wide higher education budget together to creating a strategic agenda to selecting a president, its pallet is packed.

The council met Sunday for two hours before the Governor's Conference on Postsecondary Education Trusteeship began, barely mentioning several items on its agenda and skipping others altogether.

Acting President Gary Cox described the council's task as "building an airplane while it's in the air."

Gov. Paul Patton's Postsecondary Education Improvement Act requires the council, made up of 16 Kentucky business people, to submit a state-wide higher education budget by Nov. 15.

This means Western and the other five regional universities will have to make a preliminary decision by early November on which programs they will designate as distinguished, making them eligible for millions of dollars under the reform laws. Western will also decide what capital projects, like new buildings or renovations, they want the state to fund. Western has put an \$18.5 million Journalism/Technology building at the top of its wish list.

"The decisions that are going to be made are going to be tough," Cox said. "The insti-

tutions need to be facing those situations soon."

Council Chairman Leonard Hardin warned university presidents that "programs of excellence" must have the potential for national recognition.

"Some nice, feel-good program that your community might like probably won't qualify," Hardin said.

The reform law also says that within the next year, the council must do the following:

♦ Develop a strategic agenda which will map the direction of higher education in Kentucky through 2020. Hardin said the council could not wait until next year, when a council president is named, before creating the agenda.

"Our new CEO needs to have some input before it's finalized," Hardin said.

♦ Make sure the newly-formed Kentucky Community and Technical College System gets off to a smooth start. The KCTCS will combine the Kentucky Tech system and the University of Kentucky's community college system.

♦ Create a Commonwealth Virtual University, which will offer classes and degrees throughout the state using interactive television and the Internet.

Some members of the board were unhappy with the tight schedule the reform law calls for.

"We can't let the calendar dictate important decisions," councilwoman Peggy Bertelsman said.

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# Opinion

## Aramark meeting student concerns

**T**hey like it. They really like it. Aramark food services has been on the mark in serving the hungry students on the Hill so far. They've certainly been an improvement from Marriott, their predecessor who had trouble even meeting the minimum health standards.

Returning to the Hill this year, students found fresh coffee, frozen yogurt and pasta.

### ♦ The issue:

Aramark food service has offered several new options this year.

### ♦ Our view:

Aramark should be commended for its efforts to better serve students.

They can even satisfy their Big Mac attack at the new McDonald's in Downing University Center.

But there may be times when you just want to grab a

bite to eat in your own dorm room. Now students have a place to pick up some milk, peanut butter or a loaf of bread without a major hassle. The Top Shop in West Hall and Short Stop in Pearce-Ford Tower are something this campus has needed for a long time.

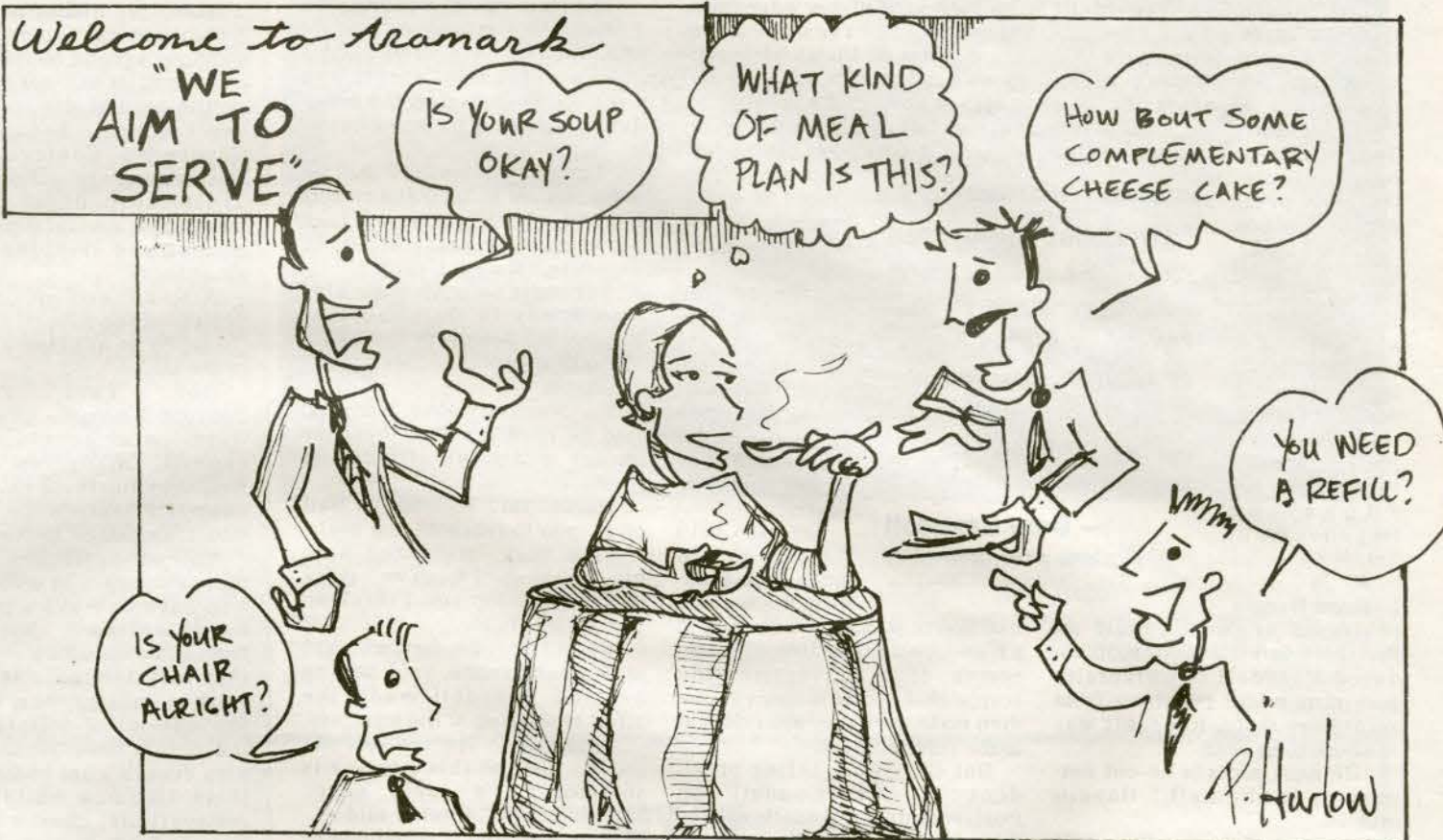
As Louisville freshman Tyler Bronger said after the opening of the convenience stores: "It's great because you don't have to lose your parking space to get to the store."

The service will also be open during Fall Break for students who are stranded on campus during that time.

With all the good points, the service is still new and has its flaws. But food service Director Nathan Farmer knows this, and is willing to listen to students' suggestions on how their dining dollars can be better spent.

That's why he had some of his customers over for a free dinner in Garrett Center, Room 100, last Wednesday to hear the likes and dislikes of the new service. This was the first of the monthly Dine with the Director dinners.

The 20 students who attended the pro-



gram discussed longer hours, better prices and healthier food.

Longer hours for the food courts would make life a lot better. The Garrett food court closes at 2 p.m., though hours may be extended a half hour, while DUC food court closes at 8 p.m. Students are on the Hill 24 hours a day, and as tasty as they may be, one can only stand eating so many six-inch Subway sandwiches.

And of course, the change in service means a hike in prices, which, even with an increase in quality, is always a downer.

Most students aren't rich, and convenience isn't always so important that they wouldn't consider going elsewhere.

Aramark should keep in mind that students don't have to eat with them. With the tons of restaurants and groceries in this town, they are not without competition.

Healthy food has certainly been a foreign concept to campus dining in the past, and Farmer wants to do something about it.

He hopes there will be a new, healthier option in DUC to offer an alternative to the fast-food greasest at many of the

other restaurants. He also expects to have labels with health information on all of the menu items.

There are also long-term plans to have a place serving Asian cuisine.

It's been a breath of fresh air to know that Aramark is taking action to find out what students want.

Keep up the good work, and don't stop there.

Students, seize the opportunity to attend the dinners and offer some food for thought to the director on ways to make campus dining as edible as possible.

## ♦ Letters to the editor

### Audio Adrenaline review misses real concert

I am responding to Charlie Lanter's so-called concert review of Audio Adrenaline in Thursday's Herald. Apparently, Charlie was sitting in the top of the bleachers beside the elderly people who did not know it was youth night. From my seats, thousands were standing, cheering, applauding and even doing a little body surfing.

If a Christian alternative group can get people to body surf at a Billy Graham Crusade, I believe it is far from "undrenalized."

The people that I saw uninterested in jumping around were the parents, youth ministers and other older adults.

Something Charlie needs to recognize is that not everyone was at Diddle Arena on Wednesday night to see Audio Adrenaline.

There were people walking around during the concert to find seats, whether it be for a late arrival to the concert or to only hear Ralph Bell.

I believe snubbing Audio Adrenaline was unfair without telling the true setting.

I hope if the students of Western ever get the opportunity to see them again, they will.

I believe Audio Adrenaline's concert was for the next generation in Christian worship that apparently wasn't Charlie's style. I respect your opinion, Charlie, but I feel Western students needed the other side of the story.

One last note, your review surpassed the stench of Will McGinnis.

Ryan Vaughan  
Nashville sophomore

### Reporting inaccurate

I read an article titled "Toppers kick offensive woes with 2-0 exhibition victory"

in the Aug. 26 Herald. I don't doubt the talents of its writer — I've read some of his other work — but I thought the article in itself could have been better written.

Maybe it was the lack of enthusiasm and knowledge of the subject matter, or maybe just temporary writers block.

The story purely lacked the luster it deserved. In order to effectively write about an athletic event, proper word choice is important.

I was in attendance at the game, and both I and some of the players I have spoken with agree that this was a poor account of this match.

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## People poll

♦ Do you think the recall on fen-phen was a good idea?



"You should lose weight by working out and changing your eating habits instead of taking a pill and taking the easy way out."

Traci Gott,  
Bowling Green senior



"All natural is the way to go. You should use less drugs and more means."

Andy Hoover,  
Russellville sophomore



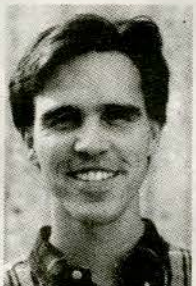
"Yes, because the health of citizens should always come first."

Chandra Poole,  
Paducah sophomore



"Yes, I don't think they did enough research to begin with."

Jennifer Ball,  
junior from Bozeman, Mont.



"Yes, because of problems associated with it."

Jared Cox,  
Bowling Green junior

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# Forum

## Group doesn't reflect campus diversity

During the short time I have been at Western, I have noticed the diversity.

While walking to class my eyes often catch the glance of African-American, white and Asian students.

Obviously this is not an all-white school, which leads me to my point: a group that is supposed to represent the university should not totally be comprised of white men and women.

Representative is defined as a typical example or a delegate acting on behalf of another. With this in mind, is the selection of the 1997-98 Spirit Masters implying the only example of a successful

Western student is white?

After discussing this issue with several students, I realized something should be said, not to offend or anger anyone but simply to let people know.

For those who are unfamiliar with the Spirit Masters, this group consists of 24 official student ambassadors.

In the Sept. 16 issue of the Herald it was reported that the

selection of Spirit Masters is based on grades, as well as evidence of activities and volunteerism.

Those who are chosen are to be commended.

But if they are to be representatives I dare anyone to tell me there is not at least one intelligent African-

American student on this campus who demonstrates volunteerism.

I know about several outstanding African-American achievers at this university

who definitely should have been included in this elite group.

How can Spirit Masters represent the students of Western if there is no minority representation?

I am not saying the African-American students who set out to become an ambassador should have been chosen simply to "fill a quota," but they should be chosen because they were and are deserving.

I transferred from a historically black college where these issues were not a problem.

Yet whether I continued my education at Tennessee State University or transferred here does not matter.

Wherever I am, I want to have a voice. There is no problem when Western takes money from minority students for tuition, so what is the problem with selecting proper representation for the school?

To those who may question my views, no, I do not have a racial chip on my shoulder.

I just believe in speaking up. In the world we live in today we can't afford to keep our mouths shut about issues that seem unfair to us.

I thought the "W" in WKU stood for Western, not white.

**Editor's note:** Camille Overstreet is a freshman print journalism major from Georgetown.

**Camille Overstreet**

*Commentary*



## Blame the fan for alarming wake-up

It wasn't my fault.

Last week, Rhodes-Harlin had another fire alarm. We're getting worse than Keen Hall. I was lucky enough to have a front-row seat for the action. Or should I say bed?

It was about 5:30 a.m. Thursday and I was in a deep sleep as was the rest of the dorm.

Suddenly I was awakened by a very loud crunch.

It sounded like my roommate had stepped on the remote control for my videocassette recorder and ground it into the carpet.

That's when I noticed that his fan, which is always on when he sleeps, wasn't turning.

My roommate woke up too and asked me what that sound was.

I told him it was his fan and he got up to turn on the light.

Now comes the part that got the entire dorm out of bed. Our room was filled with smoke from the burned-up motor of the fan.

I got up and opened the windows to try to get rid of the smoke.

All of the smoke seemed to be concentrated next to the door and near the ground.

When opening the windows didn't work, I opened our door to try to create a draft. The smoke detector in our room didn't go off, but the fire alarm

in the hall detected the smoke and roused everyone out of their slumber.

My roommate and I went to the resident assistant and told him about the smoky fan.

Then we went downstairs to see all the people who got out of bed just for us, I mean, my roommate's fan.

Amazingly enough, they weren't happy to find out that the building wasn't on fire. Some people almost became violent when they learned they had been awakened by a fan

motor that burned up.

Then they found out it was our room that had the faulty fan motor.

After receiving several death threats, including

one from my editor who lives in the building, I thought I would write this to clear the air and put the blame in the right place — the fan. Or if you need a human pansy, my roommate. After all, it was his fan, not mine.

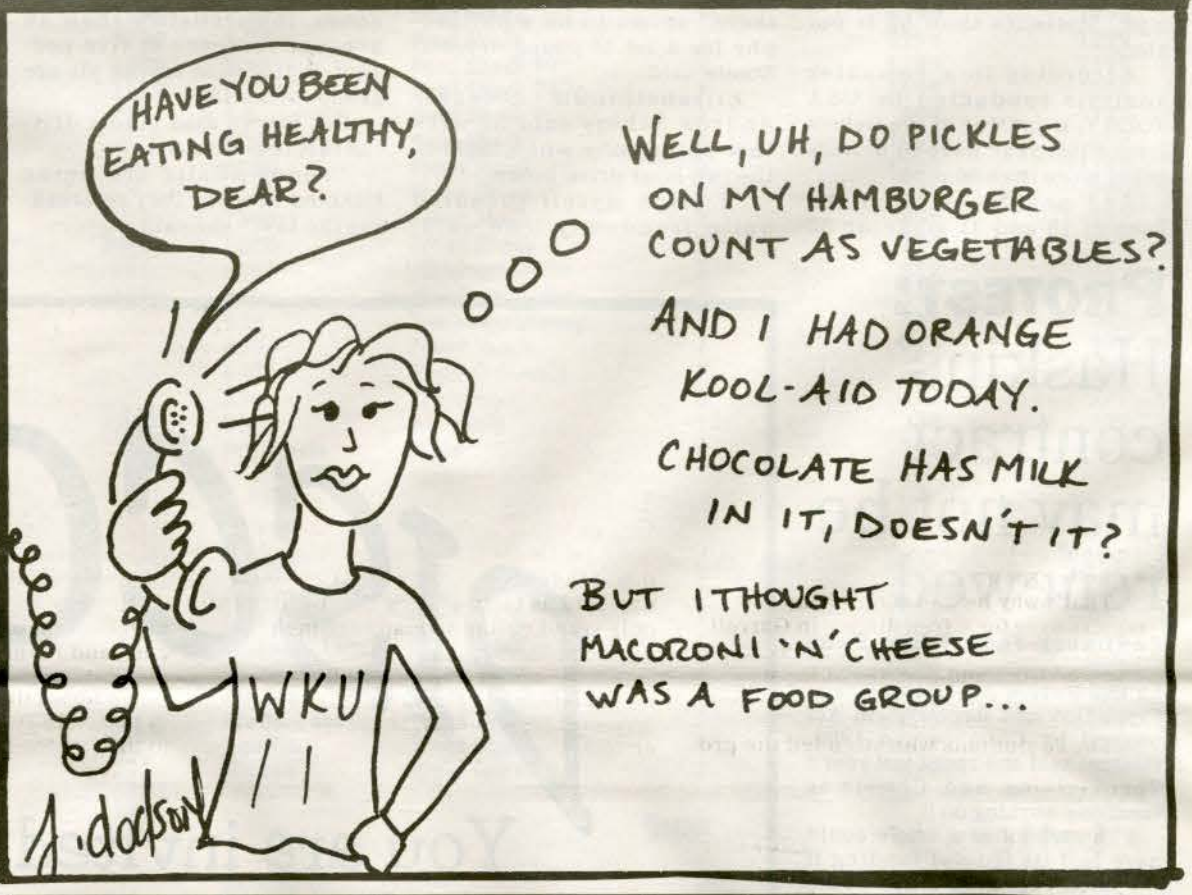
If the fan hadn't burned up, our slumber would not have been interrupted. Blame the fan or the people who make the fans. Or my roommate, since it was his fan. Have I mentioned that it was his fan?

Just don't blame me.

**Editor's note:** Scott Sisco is a sophomore print journalism major from Paducah.

**Scott Sisco**

*Commentary*



### ♦ Letters to the editor

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It is a contradiction to say that Western controlled the second half of the game and then only mention that the most saves our goalie had came in the second half. The least that should have been done was to compare it to our number of shots on their goal.

Jennifer Van Dyke  
Florence sophomore

### Outside smokers being courteous

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Herald, the article "Dorm dwellers need lesson in courtesy" was a well-written piece, but I do not agree with some of the writer's points. I, speaking as a smoker, find that only place we are allowed to smoke is outside. When the writer said we are rude for following the regulations on campus. There are a wide variety of stu-

dents attending Western, and some of them smoke.

The other point that I do not agree with is the subject of playing music in the middle of the day. The writer says that she lives in a dorm and is annoyed by people playing their music while someone might be taking a nap. A solution to this problem is to get with the resident assistant and discuss a quiet time in the dorm. If this issue has already been decided upon, then the annoyed person can either live with the decision or ask the person to turn the music down.

Jacob Jordan  
Bowling Green freshman

## Kennedy family finally faces consequences for actions

It can be surprising to see what ticks people off.

Especially when people seem to be extremely forgiving of past acts made by America's favorite dysfunctional family. I'm not talking about the Bundys nor the Simpsons. I'm speaking of the far more bizarre Kennedys.

The unbeatable force of the Kennedy name was brought to a halt a few weeks ago when Rep. Joe Kennedy announced that he wouldn't be running for governor of Massachusetts.

Little Joe had to drop out because of personal problems, which caused his numbers to drop drastically. But this seemed substantially mild compared to past Kennedy capers.

Still, it's good to know the citizens of the state don't want this particular Kennedy as governor of their state.

Up to this point they've been very forgiving of the morally bankrupt Massachusetts monarchy.

The family has been riding on the coattails of former President John F. Kennedy and have gone 18 for 18 in election victories since JFK ran for his first house seat in 1946.

The honeymoon is not over yet, though it is entering some shaky ground.

At one time they could seemingly do whatever they wanted to whomever they wanted without facing any consequences.

**Fred Lucas**

*Commentary*



Look at Ted, whose driving under the influence actually killed someone. Yet he still had the audacity to actually seek the 1980 Democratic presidential nomination. Then came the incident at a Washington, D.C., topless bar, but of course he was

just being Teddy.

Throughout all of this he has always continued to be re-elected to the U.S. Senate, usually by a landslide.

Whether it be driving off a bridge or escaping a rape conviction, as William Kennedy Smith did in 1991, it seemed the family wasn't obligated to any basic human standard of behavior.

Let's not forget more recent revelations about Joe's brother Michael, who got into some trouble after his involvement with a 14-year-old girl.

So it seems somewhat odd that Joe would be looked down upon simply because he is trying to get a very questionable annulment after 14 years of marriage.

Yet after all the family's history, John F. Kennedy Jr. wrote in George magazine that his cousin was "the poster boy for bad behavior." Why this would even faze the family, I wouldn't know. Why this would even make the voters of that state rethink their rabid, unquestioned support of a Kennedy when nothing seemed to stop them before, I don't know.

Whatever the reason, I am glad that this state is beginning to catch up with the rest of the nation in seeing the Kennedys as nothing more than an embarrassment.

**Editor's note:** Fred Lucas is a junior print journalism major from London.



# Students among top speeders

BY BRIAN MAINS

There is a mad bomber who has put an explosive device on the car. Go under 55 miles per hour and boom — it's all over with.

Well, maybe not, but this is one scenario which seems to be racing through college students' minds when they're running from campus to home on the highways.

"I only speed going to and from school," said Bobby Kline, a senior from White House, Tenn., who commutes to and from Western every day.

"If I travel the right miles per hour, then it's too boring."

Kline said to keep things interesting he cruises down Interstate 65 at 80 mph. Statistics show he is not alone.

According to a computer analysis conducted by USA TODAY, a quarter of the tickets issued last year were to drivers going more than 80 mph.

And people between the ages of 15 and 31 made up 52

percent of people on the road who receive those tickets.

"Young adults feel like they're in the fast lane," said Beverly Steele, program coordinator for the Western Kentucky regional office of traffic safety.

Steele said she is not surprised, but still astonished, by the fact that a group of drivers that makes up only 17 percent of the driving population receive the highest share of tickets in the nation.

Steele said young drivers feel they are indestructible, and that causes recklessness. They are also constantly finding reasons to drive somewhere and are impatient.

"Let's hurry up and get out there" seems to be a philosophy for a lot of young drivers, Steele said.

Elizabethtown senior Andrew Sehory said he uses that philosophy when making the two-hour drive home.

"I catch myself speeding quite frequently," he said.

"Going home, I just want to get there."

Two tickets later, Sehory said he is still averaging 80 mph on the ride home.

Crime Prevention Officer Allen Polk of campus police said he is still puzzled as to why students insist on speeding.

Polk said from what he sees most students are driving cars their parents bought for them and are paying insurance rates which are already high.

"It kind of surprises me that they'd jeopardize that," he said.

But Brad Russell, a junior from Newburgh, Ind., said he isn't playing a game when he speeds on Bluegrass Parkway on his way home.

"I keep up with traffic," Russell said.

The USA TODAY survey shows Russell may have a point.

Divided into four speed zones, the statistics show an average increase of five percent in ticketing across all age groups since 1991.

But Steele said others driving fast is no excuse.

"Young adults are being ticketed because they're breaking the law," she said.

## RADIO: Show canceled

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haven't gone against guidelines that aren't acceptable at other college stations."

Armstrong said the proposal would change the time of the show from 8 - 10 p.m. Tuesday nights to 7:30 - 9 a.m. everyday.

"We want to have a show in the morning so that students can listen while they're getting ready for class," Armstrong said. "We want to have more current news and make an appearance on campus."

White said the problem is that the show doesn't reach only students.

"A lot of junior and senior high school students listen to the show, and we had a lot of angry parents calling," he said. "That creates a public relations

problem.

"This isn't New York City, where Howard Stern doesn't raise an eyebrow."

Michele Henderson, program director for the station, said students at the station are disappointed by the board's decision.

"We'd like to see what he can do with his talent," she said. "We were excited about having a morning show because that would broaden our air-time, but I can see the board's reasons."

Henderson said she's concerned the student managers at the station can't help with these kinds of decisions.

"I feel like my job is kind of pointless because this is a student station, and I can't make a decision on this," she said. "But I guess I can see why the board wanted to decide."

## PROTEST: Haskins' contract may not be renewed

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by the Native American Grave Protection and Repatriation Act passed by Congress in 1990. Haskins said she spent last year's Thanksgiving and Christmas vacations working on it.

"The school as a whole could have lost its federal funding if she hadn't spent so many hours taking on the NAGPRA project," Hines said.

She added that Haskins' dedication to such projects and to her students took away time which could have been spent on her dissertation.

"She uses her vacation time and weekends to go with us on expeditions," said Michael Blair, a junior from Connorsville, Ind., and one of Haskins' students. "Majors (in physical anthropology) have tripled since she came here. It's not fair."

Independence senior Michelle Martz agreed.

"I didn't start out as an anthropology major, but she sucks you in and teaches you the meaning and the life of the program," she said.

The non-renewal of Haskins' contract has not been finalized.

"The university has an established continuance review process to determine if faculty should be reappointed," Lee said.

The decision process started at the departmental level and then went to the college level and then to the vice president. It is now in the hands of the president, which in this case will be interim President Barbara Burch, Lee added.

The students who rallied yesterday morning at the dean's office on Haskins' behalf are also planning to express their concerns to Burch sometime this week.

Haskins said she is surprised students have become so active in trying to save her job.

"It's very gratifying to know when you teach a class that they not only gain the knowledge but catch the spark," she said. "This is an affirmation that I've reached them in that way."

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# COPS: Don't buy beer for buddies

BY BRIAN MAINS

How do all those freshmen get their liquor? The answer is simple — use the older friend or fake ID.

Easy enough. No problem, except that the guy checking the fake license or selling the beer may be a Bowling Green Police officer participating in the Cops in the Shop program.

Robert Cron, crime prevention officer for the Bowling Green Police Department, said the program, which nabs unsuspecting underage drinkers or the legal drinkers supplying alcohol, has been around for years.

Chris David Cellini, who is from Chicago Heights, Ill., but currently lives in Pearce-Ford Tower, and Mt. Washington junior Chris Edward Rose, 1560 State St., didn't know about it last Thursday when they were sighted being handed money from people who were under 21 and buying them alcohol from Jr Food Stores on Center Street.

"That's a no-no," Cron said. The two were charged with unlawful transaction with minors and handed a citation.

Neither Cellici nor Rose could be reached for comment.

"This has gone on forever," Cron said of the ritual of older students buying younger ones alcohol.

And many students on

**"Usually people over 21 bought alcohol for me. I kind of feel like I have to return the favor sometimes."**

— Joe Myers  
Glasgow senior

Western's campus agree.

"Usually people over 21 bought alcohol for me," Glasgow senior Joe Myers said. "I kind of feel like I have to return the favor sometimes."

Myers said he is familiar with the program sponsored by the Bowling Green Police Department and area businesses since he worked in a liquor store where the police would some-

times show up.

"It increases the amount of times people get carded," Myers said of the effectiveness of the program.

He also said he doubts the program slows down or stops those of legal age buying minors alcohol.

Bowling Green senior Jennifer Lash said she avoids the situation of getting caught by using common sense.

"He usually gives me the money before," she said. "I don't think it's a big deal."

William Nuley, a Bowling Green senior, said he's bought alcohol for people under 21 and doesn't think it's a big deal because he spent most of his high school days in Germany with his father who was in the military.

"People in Germany were a little more responsible," when it came to drinking, Nuley said, because drinking was a part of the culture.

Cron said he doesn't have any control over the culture, but does have a duty to serve the law and keep people from doing something stupid.

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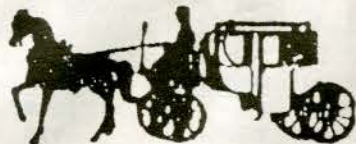
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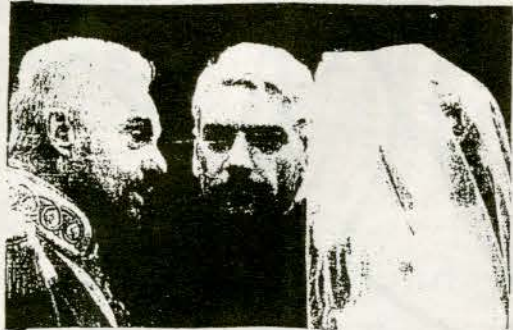
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# WRITER: Berry's visit honors Western professor

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The Henry County native said he believes imagination is important, but writers should write about experiences they know and have seen themselves.

He also stressed the importance of craftsmanship.

"If people don't cook, and farm, and sew, and housekeep, and bring up children, and carpenter and do all those things well," Berry said, "then you don't have the possibility, eventually, of doing anything splendid."

What advice did Berry have for young, ambitious poets?

"Get a job. Know poetry. Read poetry."

Berry told the audience that the importance of learning the art of writing, particularly poetry, is vital before a student begins to write for a living. But, he acknowledged his understanding of the art was self-taught, inspired from well-known writers like Henry David Thoreau, Jane Austen, William Shakespeare and Mark Twain.

Virginia McDaniel, a part-time student from Troy, N.Y. who is pursuing a second degree, said her father used to talk about Berry and his works when she was growing up. For her, Berry's environmental message against the excessive use of technology hit home.

"I want to somehow fit my life into a vein that he's talking about and live in a more sustainable matter like he's talking about," she said. "We're messing with the earth, and that's not good because she's not very forgiving."

The poetry reading was as much a success as the earlier intimate meeting. English Professor Joe Millichap estimated that about 250 people gathered in the Gerard Auditorium in Garrett Center the same afternoon to listen to Berry read several of his poems.

Bowling Green resident Todd Willard, a 1992 Western graduate, said he enjoyed the performance.

"I think it's great to actually hear him read the poems in that way," Willard said. "That way you can get his perspective in a

way you didn't see yourself."

Despite the sense of enthusiasm for Berry, the respect for another Kentucky writer was prominent. The event was established to memorialize Western's own Jim Wayne Miller, a German professor who died of cancer in August 1996.

Kentucky poet laureate Joy Bale Boone said the day was a great tribute to both Miller and Berry.

"I've known (Berry) for years and years and years," she said. "He's really a man who lives what he believes."

Boone, who also knew Miller, called the day a "wonderful and deserved celebration."

That was a sentiment echoed throughout the event by the hundreds of fans — including Berry, a long-time friend of Miller.

"This occasion invites us to remember and to honor Jim Wayne Miller," he said in his opening speech during the poetry reading. "I am, of course, keenly aware of the honor having been asked to take part."



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Kentucky Poet Laureate Joy Bale Boone, of Glasgow, laughed with friend and author Wendell Berry after he finished signing autographs Saturday afternoon in the Garrett Center lobby.



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# Tradition draws in education majors

BY EMILY BAKER

A desire to make a difference in children's lives is one of the main reasons Murray senior Rob Carpenter and other students are part of one of Western's most popular undergraduate majors: elementary education.

Elementary education is by far the most popular undergraduate degree sought on campus. With 939 students enrolled in the fall of 1996, it was nearly double the size of its nearest competitor. Psychology was in second place with 474 students, according to Western's 1997 Fact Book.

"I want to have an impact on one kid, hopefully positive," Carpenter said. "I try to look 25 years down the road and see the blessings I'll have. I think about all the teachers I've had and what they've done to help me get where I am."

Carl Martray, dean of the College of Education, noted that Western's strong reputation in the field contributes to the program's size.

"We are known throughout the state and the country, so we attract a lot of students," he said.

But learning how to teach is not all about sitting in a classroom. Large numbers of students come into the program not because of its reputation, but because they enjoy making a difference.

"It's something I'm good at," Lexington sophomore Greg McGee said. "I want to be a positive male role model. I feel I can serve in that position. I worked at a camp this summer and know it's what I want to do."

Toby Daniel, a teacher education associate professor, described elementary education majors as nurturing people.

"We genuinely care about children," Daniel said. "We have a certain attitude and personality that gear toward this age level. We understand the behaviors of children and the social nature of that age children."

Western began as a teaching school in the early days of the century, and that legacy has made teacher education one of the university's strongest fields. The fact that elementary education is so strong, Martray said,

stems from the dedication of the students in the program both while they are at Western and when they begin teaching jobs.

"Feedback from students out in the field is very positive; they feel well-prepared," he said. "Teaching offers students the opportunity to shape the lives of young children. Our students are dedicated people who are willing to work long hours. They affect students' learning and attitudes toward learning."

Vicki Stayton, head of integrative studies in teacher education, added that many faculty members

get involved outside the classroom, serving on state boards and in other roles. They bring back information and trends to the department which keeps the program current.

Another vital ingredient to elementary education's success is the hands-on training students receive. Students begin observing during their first class, Stayton said, and are required to student teach for a semester before graduation.

Martray said Western has formal partnerships with 28 districts in this region.

"Public schools are willing to work with our students, and teachers model good teaching methods to them," Stayton said. "We keep the university classroom in touch with the real world classroom."

A crucial part of the practical experience Western's program provides is the block, a five-method course students take the semester before they begin to student teach. Math, science, social studies, reading and early childhood development and education are taught collaboratively by a team of five faculty members, Daniel said.

"We teach them how to take all the disciplines and do an integrated curriculum that meets the needs of all children," Daniel said. "It's a very difficult semester for students."

And those students who appreciate Western's elementary education program can be the major's best recruitment tool.

"I knew we had a wonderful program and had friends who were in the program," Carpenter said. "I wanted to go somewhere I knew was good."

**"We are known throughout the state and the country, so we attract a lot of students."**

— Carl Martray  
College of Education dean

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## ◆ News brief

### Phonathon continues

Pledges for Western's annual Phonathon totaled nearly \$86,000 after about two weeks of students making phone calls.

Alumni Affairs Coordinator Donald Smith said as of last Thursday, 1,850 alumni and friends of the university had given \$85,929. This includes pledges from 468 people who have never given to Western before. He said 53 students will be calling about 40,000 alumni throughout the next 11 weeks.

Smith said the Phonathon is "donor-driven," meaning donors can designate where they want the money to go.

The goal of this year's Phonathon is \$450,000, and the drive will continue for another nine weeks. Last year's Phonathon raised \$403,000.

Smith noted the importance of the Phonathon: "Private support allows us to provide the margin of excellence that makes a difference to the students."

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# Disco night no 'Hustle'

BY SCHERI ELAINE SMITH

It's Saturday Night Fever, only it's on Wednesday.

The University Center Board is celebrating an era of polyester with a platform-shoe stomping, bell-bottom flapping shindig tomorrow on the fourth floor of the Downing University Center.

Disco DUC, from 7-11 p.m. tomorrow, will allow students access to bowling, billiards, food, costume contests, door prizes and dancing — all to the tune of \$3.

Whitney Elmore, chairwoman of the recreation floor committee, said the shake-your-groove-thang-disco-theme was her idea.

"The main reason for the '70s is that we always try to have some kind of theme," she said. "The '70s retro really seems to be coming back."

But Disco DUC is offering more than just a revival of the pet rock mentality, Elmore said.

"We are trying to reach out to different types of students and get them involved," she said. "We want to offer people ways to get an overall well-rounded college experience."

Student Activities Coordinator Bennie Beach said DUC fourth floor offers students variety.

"We do programs on the fourth floor to enhance the things already up there," he said.

In addition to '70s costume contests, DJ Glenn Davis will be spinning the funky sounds of the '70s, complete with lights and smoke. For more information, contact UCB at 745-2459.

# Board brings fun to campus

BY CHARLIE LANTER

With the smallest student activities budget in the state, Western's University Center Board is still trying to keep students busy.

The board, made up of various students, faculty and staff, uses its portion of the student activities fee to put on more than 100 different programs a year.

"We try to entertain folks, to educate folks and, for example, give them a chance to hear speakers they may not agree with," said Student Activities Coordinator Bennie Beach, adviser for UCB. "Where else would (students) have the chance to see this kind of stuff?"

Beach said UCB's \$77,000 budget is the smallest of any state school, but Western's student activities board works well with what they have.

Darlene Lodmell, executive chairwoman of UCB, said the board's current project is Big Red's Roar.

"We're nothing real hard core or anything, but we try," the Versailles senior said.

According to Lodmell, UCB has several committees: concerts, special events, lectures, Nite Class, public relations and recreation floor (Downing University Center, fourth floor).

Special events chairwoman Leigh Ann Sears said variety is the focus for her committee.

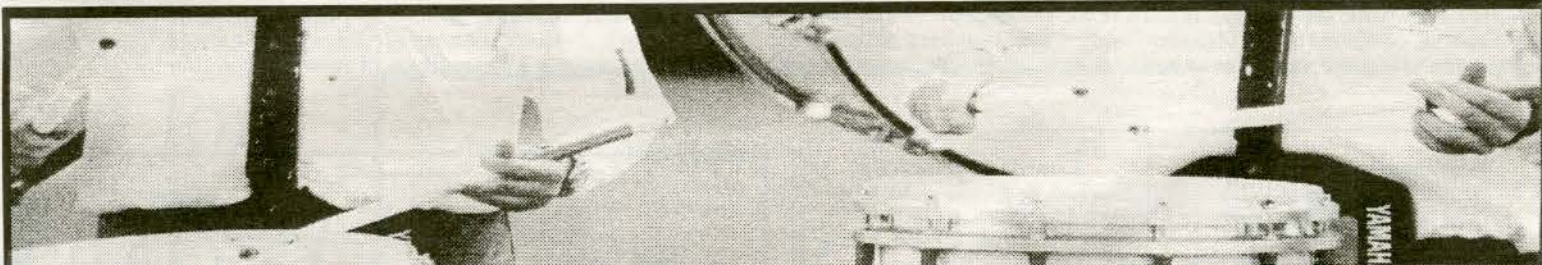
"We just want to do different things," the Mayfield junior said. "We're working on a possible battle of the bands kind of thing for DUC south lawn, and we want to bring in a hypnotist and maybe sponsor a Homecoming parade."

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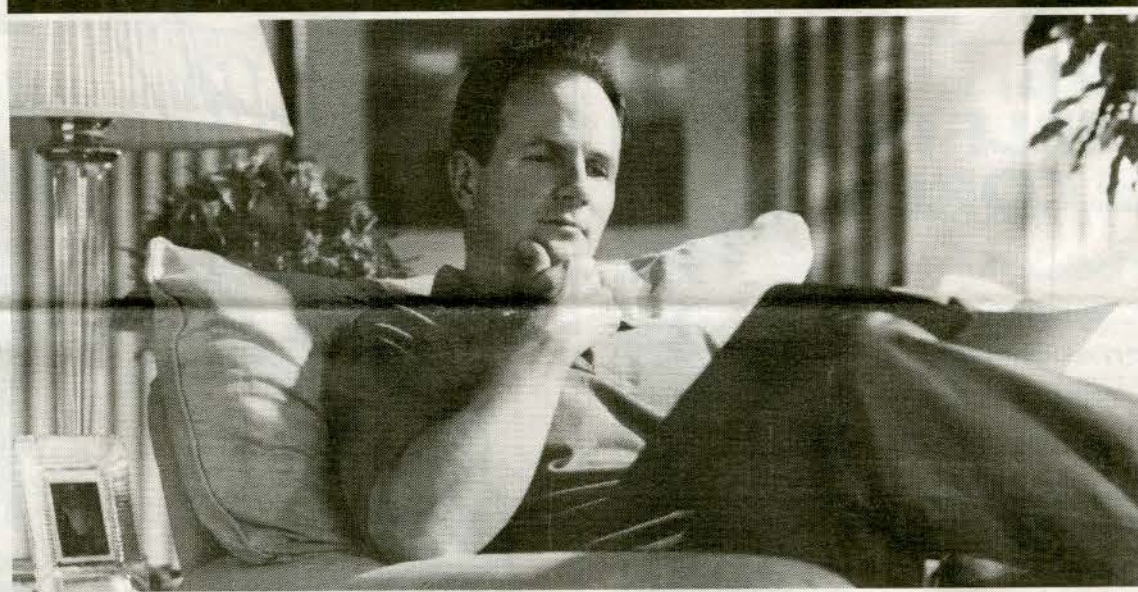
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# Writing program suffers through budget woes

*Outreach helps teachers learn writing skills they can pass to students*

BY EMILY BAKER

Western's Writing Project Outreach program trains teachers to help students and fellow teachers to write effectively, but a funding decrease has caused them to re-examine the way they go about that training.

The program's primary means for achieving its purposes is the Writing Institute, held at Western for four weeks every June. The institute prepares teachers to go back to their schools and present what they learned to fellow teachers.

However, because of a significant decrease in funding, John Hagaman, director of Western's Writing Project and an English professor, and Outreach Director Mary Dillingham hope the program can continue to accomplish its mission. During the program's first year, it received \$50,000 from the Kentucky Department of Education, Hagaman said. This year the grant dropped to \$5,400.

"We still serve as a channel of resource for teachers who have or haven't attended the institute," Dillingham said. "We are in the process of developing a database of those who are experienced teaching consultants, all writing fellows."

This database will help them reach more teachers and stretch their resources. There are about 20 teachers in the database, which she hopes to complete by the end of the semester and distribute to area schools.

"At the heart of everything we do is writing," Hagaman said. "It's a process. It's not something you do at the drop of a hat. We help our teachers every step of the way."

The project is based on three premises: A good teacher of writing must be informed, a good teacher must be a writer herself or himself and teachers are the best teachers of teachers.

Dillingham works with the 240 gradu-

ates of the institute, scheduling them to work with area schools promoting effective writing.

About 20 teachers attend the program to learn more effective ways to teach writing to their students and other teachers, to earn six graduate hours of English credit and to receive a \$500 stipend.

"It is one of the best things I've done for me in my whole life," said Judy Whitson, a Western graduate and Bristow Elementary School resource teacher. "I realized that it (writing) is a process that has to be built upon; it begins in the early grades. I also learned

that I do love to write myself. I developed my skills as a writer and write with the children.

"For them to buy into it, it's important for them to see me writing. The best thing is being able to go back to my school and share with my faculty what I learned."

The institute is just one component of

the ongoing learning and teaching process. Writing fellows (teachers who have attended the institute) develop case studies based on their classroom writing experiences and share this research report with the other writing fellows during the final session of the institute in April.

"For the past three years, our focus has been retraining writing fellows," Dillingham said. "We have worked with teachers in several different ways to improve writing and worked with schools wanting daylong in-service training."

Dillingham schedules visits for teachers who have not attended the institute to visit writing fellows' classrooms to see the work in progress. The outreach program offers numerous open workshops to teachers using writing fellows as presenters and training sessions to teachers going through Western's kindergarten through fourth grade primary block.

The outreach program is an arm of the Writing Project, part of the National Writing Project, which began with the Bay Area Writing Project at the University of California at Berkeley, Hagaman said. There are now 165 sites around the country. Western's Writing Project started in 1986.


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# Sports

## Toppers outrun Govs, 53-7

BY TRAVIS MAYO

Saturday was Mitchell Randle's turn to run the ball.

The junior tailback ran for 144 yards and two touchdowns on 18 carries in No. 3 Western's 53-7 thrashing of Austin Peay (0-3). Randle's contribution added to the 542 rushing yards Western (4-0) tallied.

"It's just the way it rolls," Randle said. "All our tailbacks are very talented and it just happened today I was the one who stood out. Tomorrow, it might be (junior tailback) Rod (Smart). Next week, it might be (senior tailback) Jammie (Kyle)."

Kyle missed Saturday's game, but is expected to return against South Florida.

Randle gave credit to the offensive line and said the backfield's performance was just part of the plan.

"We ran a lot of inside plays and that was Coach (Jack) Harbaugh's game plan and we stuck with it," he said, pointing to the scoreboard.

The one handing the ball to Randle also used his feet to the Toppers' advantage.

Senior quarterback Willie Taggart had a career-high 191 rushing yards on 11 attempts. He also ran in three touchdowns. His performance passed his old mark of 181 yards against Murray State in 1996.

"We came out and we thought we could run on them," Taggart said. "No need to pass when you can run."

Taggart started the Toppers scoring early, running 54 yards for a touchdown just two minutes into the game. He also had

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Jason Clark/Herald

During Saturday's game at Feix Field, Austin Peay junior running back Chris Black is smothered by a wall of Western defenders. Western's defense held Austin Peay to minus-36 yards rushing during the Hilltoppers' 53-7 victory.

## Volleyball trounced in tourney

BY CHRIS ABRELL

Western volleyball washed out in Washington, D.C., at the Georgetown Invitational last weekend.

The Lady Toppers dropped three matches, sliding to a 5-8 mark on the season and finishing last in the tournament.

"We needed to come together as a team and we didn't do it," senior outside hitter Erika DeWald said. "They had us beat before we even stepped on the floor. Everyone wanted to win, but no one was willing to take the extra step."

Western opened Friday facing Wright State, losing in three games 15-9, 15-9, 15-6. The Raiders outthit the Lady Toppers .333 to .157 and Western committed 12 service errors.

"I felt we could compete with (Wright State)," Coach Travis Hudson said. "We came out Friday and had no focus."

It was a downhill blur from there, except for one brief bump. In Western's first match Saturday, tournament host and winner Georgetown handed the Lady Toppers a 3-1 loss, 15-3, 15-12, 15-17, 15-2. It was the only time Western won a game all weekend.

James Madison also downed Western in three games, 15-11, 15-10, 15-8.

"I think we could play with James Madison and Georgetown," Hudson said. "Just not right now. Not with the losses we've had."

No Lady Topper faces were on the All-Tournament team, making it senior middle hitter Jamie Ritterskamp's first absence from the list in three tournaments.

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## Western takes top spots in Old Timer's Classic

BY JENNY CHRISTIAN

It may be called the Old Timer's Classic, but it belonged to the youth Saturday.

For the second-straight meet, freshman Duncan Shangase led his Hilltoppers to victory. Sophomore Patricia Dorgan proved equally effective leading the Lady Tops to their first win of the season.

"We put a lot into our workouts," Dorgan said. "It's really quite rewarding."

In the men's race, Lindsey Wilson College placed second, followed by Cumberland College.

Cumberland's women fell to the Lady Toppers, but finished ahead of Midway College and Lindsey Wilson.

Kentucky and Georgia brought squads to the competition, but ran unattached and were not scored in the meet.

Shangase finished third at 25:23 against stiff competition. Lindsey Wilson senior Levis Anyega and freshman Julius Retich, both from Kenya, placed first and second.

"After the first mile, they cranked up the pace and pushed it," Shangase said. "At the two and a half mile mark I was with them, but at the three mile mark I had to let them go."

"It was a very good racing decision that Duncan made," Coach Curtiss Long said.

In the women's race, Dorgan finished with a time of 18:26, placing second. Georgia sophomore Erin Jones, an All-American, finished first at 17:27.

Dorgan elaborated by saying they really had no chance of catching Jones, so she and sophomore Claire Gibbons ran most of the race working together.

Dorgan was named the Sun Belt Conference Performer of the week.

"I'm actually surprised," Dorgan said.

Senior Daryn Lambooy said he feels the team has a bright future, partially because they have a lot more depth than in past years, but also thinks they can do better.

"Although the result was very good, I don't feel that the team ran to its potential," Lambooy said.

On the women's side, Gibbons placed third with a time of 18:31. Freshmen Terri Hennessy, Chaye Mathfield and Lisa Cronin rounded out Western's first five finishers, respectively.

"I'm not fully adjusted to the 5k," Hennessy said. "The second mile was the hardest."

Hennessy still finished well, placing fourth at 18:49. Following her was Mathfield in fifth place at 19:06. Cronin finished in 19:13, good enough for sixth place.

"My first race everything seemed to go wrong," Cronin said. "I'm much happier with the second race. There's always room for improvement."



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Sophomore Colleen Guy competes during the Old Timers Classic on Saturday morning at Kereiakes Park. Western finished first overall in the meet.



# TOPPERS: Stockton taken to hospital

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a 62-yard touchdown run late in the first quarter.

"It was there for the taking," Taggart said.

Randle followed by running for 38 yards five minutes after Taggart's score. With Randle's touchdown, Western was on its way to a 46-point victory.

And Western's defense had something to do with the end result.

Austin Peay's only touchdown came early in the second quarter, when senior wide receiver Frank Escobar recovered junior running back Chris Black's fumble in the end zone.

Western junior defensive end Ben Wittman said the week before Saturday paid off.

"We practiced hard this whole week and we just wanted to get this one over," he said.

Wittman ended the game with a tackle and a sack.

Harbaugh said his defense's patience produced results.

"When you play a team like this, you have to be patient, waiting for the opportunity and getting a key sack or a key break-

up," he said.

Austin Peay coach Bill Schmitz said his team was beat in every facet of the game and predicted a good outcome for Western's season.

"It wouldn't surprise me to see them play for the national championship," he said.

Harbaugh said his team made a statement Saturday.

"Sometimes you have a tendency to let off the pedal a little bit and feel like you can coast, and we've done that on other occasions, but I think this team made a statement tonight that we aren't going to do that," he said. "We're going to play every week no matter who the team is and let the chips fall where they may."

## Stockton shaken up

Senior wide receiver Joey Stockton spent Saturday night in the hospital after coming up shaky on a punt return. Stockton underwent several tests Sunday, all of which turned out negative. Harbaugh said that he won't know for sure until Thursday if Stockton will play this Saturday against South Florida.



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**Saturday night at Feix Field,** senior quarterback Willie Taggart pitches the ball off to a receiver as Austin Peay junior defensive tackle Josh Beach closes in on the play. Taggart went on to run for a career-high 191 yards on 11 attempts. His previous high was 181 yards against Murray State in 1996. Taggart also scored on 54- and 62-yard touchdown runs. The Hilltoppers won 53-7, moving them up to No. 3 in the Division I-AA poll.

# TOURNEY: MTSU next for Western

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Ritterskamp averaged 11 kills per match in the tournament, two shy of freshman middle hitter Andria Humpert, the team kill leader for the weekend.

"I felt Andria deserved All-Tournament," Hudson said. "I thought she played well. She is really becoming a go-to player for us."

Hudson said Humpert's success would relieve some of the pressure on Ritterskamp — a good thing considering Western has one more tournament before Sun Belt Conference play begins.

"I scheduled these last two tournaments to be very brutal before conference play," Hudson said. "I want us to feel like we can compete in conference, and having seen teams a step above that will help."

## Western looks for tough match-up

Western looks to defend Diddle Arena from the Lady Raiders of Middle Tennessee State at 7 tonight.

Though the Lady Toppers hold a 16-3 edge in the series, MTSU has beaten Western in their last two match-ups, both in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

The Lady Raiders (5-6) posted a 16-19 record in 1996, and Hudson said they would be the same kind of team this year.

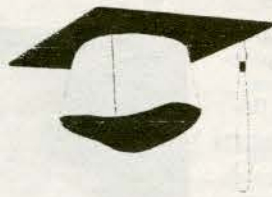
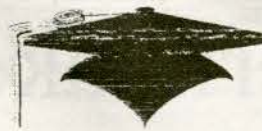
"No match we play right now is going to be easy," Hudson said. "(Middle Tennessee) is very similar to us. It will be a battle."

Hudson is ready to confront the Lady Raiders, even though his team hasn't practiced since Washington, D.C.

"I'm excited about getting to play this quick," Hudson said. "It'll give me a chance to get this bad taste out of my mouth."

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## Wood duck season ends in a hurry

A pestering buzz of an out-of-tune radio station blared from my alarm clock at 4:30 a.m. A mistake? No, it is wood duck season and an early wake-up call is a necessity.

Kentucky's early wood duck season began Wednesday and ended Sunday. This season is in comparison to the regular duck season that starts in November.

The reason behind it is simple. Wood ducks nest in the swamps and rivers of Kentucky throughout the spring and summer. These birds leave in about mid-fall and do not return until the following year.

For hunters to get a chance at a wood duck, the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife annually holds this special season.

Hunting for wood ducks can bring some good times. I met my buddies at 5 a.m. over coffee and groggy eyes to leave for the slough. Our destination was Rochester, near Morgantown.

Madisonville senior Mark Mayes provided us with a good location to hunt. He knows the landowner of a patch of sloughs, called Panther Creek, and asked for permission to bring a few buddies to hunt there. (Getting permission to hunt an area is a must because of ethics and game laws.)

We stepped out of the truck at 6 a.m. and headed to the water. We waited patiently, but no ducks showed themselves. Then to the surprise of all of us, the ducks came in waves. The shooting was fast.

Mayes, Bowling Green resident Felton Adams and I bagged our limit of two wood ducks each in just under 10 minutes. We then loaded the truck and finished our still-warm coffee as we talked of the morning hunt.

We all decided that this was the fastest we had ever filled our limits. And within such a short amount of time, that hunt may be my quickest for a long time. But I plan on trying to beat that time for as long as there's a season.

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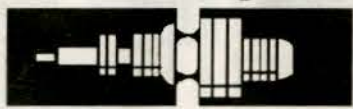
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# Toppers can't score, drop two more

BY GEORGE ROBINSON

It looked as if Western's soccer team would turn its recent misfortunes around after taking out Belmont 2-1 last Tuesday, but misfortune seems to be the Toppers' shadow.

Western's record dropped to 2-5 after a 3-0 defeat to Louisville on Friday and a 1-0 loss to New Mexico on Sunday.

It was Louisville's defense that blanked the Toppers, but it was Western's defense that played the best 90 minutes of the season in a 1-0 loss to New Mexico (5-3).

"I thought that if things had been just a little different we would have won," said Western coach David Holmes. "It was the best I've seen us play."

The Toppers adjusted to the Lobos' fast-paced style of soccer and slowed the game down. New Mexico's defense, however, was able to match the Toppers with Lobos senior goalie Greg Hess saving four shots.

"By no means did we play our best," said Lobos coach Klaus Weber. "I give Western all the credit. They played well, but we got lucky. That's the only way I can explain it."

New Mexico senior forward Justin Sells continued his hot streak, scoring the only goal of the game with 3 minutes left. He has now scored a goal in each of his last four games.

Louisville improved to 3-3 after dropping its other intrastate game to Kentucky on Sept. 14.

"We played strong for about 40 minutes and then it was downhill from that," said Western assistant coach Dale Hilfrich.

"Louisville got a lucky bounce right before the half and we couldn't answer back."

Cardinal freshman midfielder Goran Yabar gave his team a 1-0 lead five minutes before the half with a shot past a falling Topper defender and Western senior goalie Andrew Cecil.

Again Western tried to compensate for the deficit in the second half by rearranging its lineup. What resulted was two more goals.

"We tried to change some things," Hilfrich said. "By doing that, we created some holes in our attack and Louisville did a good job in exploiting them."

One change that has been made so far is the switching of senior forward Tom Morgan from that position to midfield to give the middle a more stable ball-handling lineup.

"Tom's done a great job so far," Hilfrich said. "But it's really not for sure if he'll stay there. It's really on a game-to-game basis or what's going on during a game."

Twelve minutes into the second half, Louisville freshman defender Stuart Langrish extended the Cardinals' lead with a direct goal 15 yards out. Cardinal freshman Nick Gorgano capped the scoring with 21 minutes left in the game.

"We just didn't play well together against Louisville," Cecil said. "It was another one of those days."

For the second-straight game, Western failed to score, but not without their chances. The Toppers had a combined 16 shots on goal in the two games.

"Hopefully when we start conference play the ball will find the net," Cecil said.



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At Feix Field on Sunday afternoon, senior forward Mark Robson battles for possession against New Mexico junior defender Justin Spence. The soccer team lost the match 1-0, dropping its record to 2-5. The Tops play their first Missouri Valley Conference match Friday against Drake.

## Western Athletics Calendar

### Today

7 p.m. Volleyball vs. Middle Tennessee State

### Friday

4 p.m. Soccer at Drake  
5 p.m. Volleyball at Kent Invitational Tournament vs. Mercer

### Saturday

11 a.m. Volleyball vs. Kent  
7 p.m. Volleyball vs. Akron  
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